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Subject: Protest Update #4
Attachments: Freedom Rally 6 1.jpg

Minister, Clerk, DM,

Yesterday we saw about 300 vehicles and 500-700 people present. All events are hosted at Memorial and Broadway. Small groups of counter-protestors attended. The second night of the protest saw no significant incidents. The crowd dispersed around 21:00 with honking stopping around 23:00. It is presenting like a core group of protestors are preparing for an extended stay with porta-potties, firewood, stage, etc. Today we expect a gradual increase in protestors with a dispersal into the evening as the pattern begins to develop. The conditions on Broadway are concerning, as traffic is still moving through one lane at Broadway and Memorial but there are considerable number of pedestrians in the area. WPS is aware and responsible for these decision points. No indication from WPS that they will be changing their stance.

It is likely that tomorrow will see reduced numbers of protestors, but significantly increased congestion as the work week begins. We recommend that those attending the Legislative Building Monday do so through the Osborne and Assiniboine entrances, and utilize the South building entrance. At this point, the protestors have not shown any aggression towards our Protective Services staff.

I am happy to meet or discuss any further details. One ask is that I have a prior commitment from 11:30 – 12:15 and will be unavailable during that time. Happy to meet or discuss any other time today. Thank you.

Below is proposed text for staff announcements for Monday:

RAVE message: *Those attending the Legislative building for work on Monday, February 7, can do so via the Osborne & Assiniboine entrance.*

Email message:

Those attending the Legislative building for work on Monday, February 7, can do so via the Osborne & Assiniboine entrance. Other lanes of access to the Legislative grounds remain closed at this time due to the ongoing protest on Broadway and Memorial. As you approach the Assiniboine entrance, you will see a sign that reads "Emergency and Service Access Only", but staff and contractors may proceed. For entering the building, please use the South entrance as much as possible.

Please note that the protest is generating significant noise during the day, and this may escalate if protestors observe activity at the building. Likewise, this may draw protestors to the North entrance.

To exit the grounds, please proceed to Assiniboine & Kennedy.

Mike